Use of foreign trade mark

1219. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what steps have so far been taken by Government to restrict the use of foreign trade marks for internal use;

(b) what prevents the Government from adopting the Electronics Department regulation on use of foreign trade mark for black and white and colour TV sets;

(c) what are the difficulties being faced to ban the use of foreign trade mark; and

(d) whether Government have given permission for the use of foreign trade mark "Sweet & Low" and 'English Leather" and if not, what steps are being taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (c) While approving foreign collaboration agreements, a condition is laid down that the use of foreign brand names will not be allowed on products meant for internal sales.

Under the existing law, there is no restriction of the use of foreign trade marks, if it does not involve any direct or indirect consideration in foreign exchange. Further trade marks can be used without registration or before or after the expiry of registration without the protection afforded by the Trade and Merchandise Marks Act.

(d) Government have not approved any Registered User Agreement in respect of the trade marks. 'Sweet & Low' and 'English Leather'.

Re-employment of Retired Officers

1220. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:
SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that more than 25 superannuated officers of Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited have been appointed as consultants with effect from the day of their retirement;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether there are any guidelines/rules for appointing the retired persons as Consultants; and

(d) whether this does not violate the policy regarding re-employment of retired officers?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM): (a) and (b) Owing to a dearth of experienced staff and officers for various reasons, Bharat Petroleum Corporation has appointed as Consultants 22 officers at varying times after their retirement. They have been engaged for specific ad-hoc assignments for periods ranging from three months to one year.

(c) and (d) The Corporation has framed broad guidelines for engagements of consultants and the authority for such engagements is the Chief Executive of the Corporation.

X-ray machines

1221. DR G. VIJAYA MOHAN REDDY: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state whether in view of the fact that Jadhavpur University has fabricated an X-ray machine at a cost of Rs. 35,000/- which is capable of producing X-ray

sciagrams, @ Re. 1/- per sciagram; Government propose to take steps for the mass production of these X-ray machines, which will be a boon to all Government hospitals and will also save foreign exchange?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): Registrar, Jadavpur University, Calcutta and Electronics Commission, New Delhi had filed a Patent Application with the Patent Office, Calcutta for their invention titled 'A process for producing a picture frame having an image imprinted thereon and an apparatus therefor. A patent was granted on 12th February 1988 vide Specification No. 157221. No specific proposal/application for commercial production of the invention has been received by this Ministry.

ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में संचार व्यवस्था

1222. **श्री जगदम्बी प्रसाद यादव** : क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में, जो हमारी जनसंख्या का 75 प्रतिशत है, संचार व्यवस्था को सुदृढ़ करने के संबंध में अगले वर्ष के लिए क्या योजना है और योजना में इस प्रयोजन के लिए कितनी धनराशि आबंटित की गई है ; और

(ख) गत तीन वर्षों के दौरान इस दिशा में क्या उपलब्धियां प्राप्त की गयी हैं ?

ऊर्जा मंत्री और संचार मंत्री (श्री वसंत साठे) :

डाक विभाग

(क) वार्षिक योजना 1988–89 के अंतर्गत देश के ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में लगभग 3000 डाकघर खोलने का प्रस्ताव है। इस उद्देश्य से योजना आयोग ने 3.4 करोड़ रुपए का परिव्यय अनुमोदित कर दिया है।

(ख) पिछले 3 वर्षों के दौरान देश के ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों के लिए स्वीकृत किए गए डाकघरों की संख्या इस प्रकार है :—

1985–86	5
1986–87	7
1987–88	980

दूरसंचार विभाग

(क) वर्ष 1988–89 के दौरान ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में दूरसंचार प्रणाली को मजबूत बनाने के लिए योजनाएं इस प्रकार हैं :—

I. **वास्तविक** :

1. खोले जाने वाले लम्बी दूरी के सार्वजनिक टेलीफोनघर : 2400

2. **ग्रामीण एक्सचेंज**

(i) 20 मैनुअल एक्सचेंजों को इलैक्ट्रॉनिक एक्सचेंजों द्वारा बदलना।

(ii) 380 स्ट्रोजर एक्सचेंजों को इलैक्ट्रॉनिक एक्सचेंजों द्वारा बदलना।

(iii) कम क्षमता वाले 800 स्ट्रोजर एक्सचेंज खोलना।

(iv) 50 छोटे इलैक्ट्रॉनिक्स ऑटोमैटिक एक्सचेंज खोलना।

II. **वित्त** :

देश में दूरसंचार सेवाओं के विकास के लिए वर्ष 1988–89 हेतु सरकार ने 1700 करोड़ रुपए का योजना परिव्यय अनुमोदित किया है। ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों के विकास के लिए अलग से कोई आबंटन नहीं किया गया है। तथापि, ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में दूरसंचार सेवाओं के प्रावधान के लिए सातवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना के दौरान कुल योजना परिव्यय का औसतन लगभग 7 प्रतिशत खर्च करने की योजना है।